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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: :
Marc HERRMANN et al. : Group Art Unit:
Serial No.: 09/736,304 : Examiner:
Filed: December 15, 2000 :
For: SCALABLE MONITORING :
METHOD AND DEVICE :
McLean, Virginia
April 9, 2001

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the subject application, filed concurrently herewith, as indicated
below:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

After the title and before the first paragraph on page 1, insert the following
heading at the left-hand margin:

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--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION--

insert the following new paragraph at the left-hand margin:

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--The subject matter of this invention is related to application Serial No.
09/737,919, corresponding to French Application 99/15892 (BULL 3866 - T2153-
906756) filed concurrently herewith in the named Mark Herrmann and Xiabo Li and
entitled "Method and Device for Deploying A Distributed Monitoring". The subject
matter of said application is hereby incorporated by reference.--;